

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Osamu ARISUMI)	Group Art Unit: 2814
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Application No. 09/617,138)	Examiner: John C. Ingham
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Filed: July 14, 2000)	Confirmation No. 5704
)	
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)	
ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

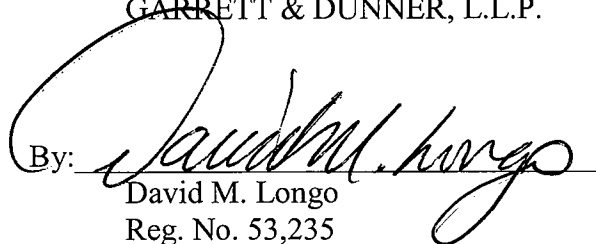
In a restriction requirement mailed January 24, 2008, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-4 and 19-20), drawn to a semiconductor device, and Group II (claims 5-18), drawn to a manufacturing method. In response, Applicants elect to prosecute Group II, claims 5-18, without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 15, 2008

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